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Baard officials and representatives from the Department of Energy's Idaho National Laboratory, which just completed a year long study of the proposed coal-to-liquid facility in eastern Ohio, were on hand to explain the environmental benefits of the emissions and sequestration technology that would be implemented at the Wellsville coal-to-liquid facility.

"With the ability to burn coal clean, our future will burn bright," said Congressman Wilson.

"This project will benefit thousands of working families in a way that is responsible to the entire community."

The Wellsville facility is estimated to have a major impact on the regional economy, creating 200 high-paying plant jobs and 750 new mine jobs. It is expected to take 1,500 construction workers to bring the coal-to-liquid facility to completion.

A complete copy of the Department of Energy's study can be found at: www.baardenergy.com